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# Subpart 3610—Mineral Material Sales

### §3610.1 Procedures: General.

# § 3610.1-1 Request for sale.

Under the provisions of this part, the authorized officer may sell mineral materials upon receipt of a written request by any person who expresses an interest in mineral materials; or his own initiative.

### §3610.1-2 Appraisal, reappraisal and measurements.

- (a) No mineral materials shall be sold at less than fair market value as determined by appraisal.
- (b) The authorized officer shall reappraise mineral materials disposed of under this part at intervals of not less than 2 years and shall adjust the contract unit price accordingly.
- (c) Mineral materials may be measured by in-place volume or weight equivalent.

# §3610.1-3 Payments and termination by agreement.

- (a) Under a contract of sale for mineral materials, the permittee:
- (1) Shall not remove mineral materials until advance payment is made;
- (2) Shall for contract sales of \$2,000 or less, pay the full amount at execution of the contract;
- (3) May, when the sale exceeds \$2,000, make installment payments of not less that \$500 or 10 percent of the total purchase price, whichever is greater and shall: (i) For non-competitive sales, pay the first installment prior to or at the time the contract is awarded; (ii) for competitive sales, pay the first installment as a deposit at the time the

bid is submitted, and (iii) pay each subsequent installment for non-competitive and competitive sales in an amount equal to the value of the mineral material removed prior to removal of the material;

- (4) Shall pay the total amount of the purchase price no later than 60 days before the expiration date of the contract:
- (5) Shall annually produce an amount sufficient to pay to the United States a sum of money equal to the first installment, or in lieu of such production, shall make an annual payment in the amount of the first installment. Annual payments shall be due on or before the anniversary date of the execution of the contract;
- (6) Shall forfeit all monies paid when the required payments under the terms and conditions of the contract are not met. Failure to comply with the terms and conditions for payment shall constitute a breach of contract and the authorized officer may terminate the contract:
- (7) Shall be required to make an annual report of production under the contract and to provide written verification of the amount of mineral materials removed upon request by the authorized officer to allow verification of payments.
- (b) The permittee and the authorized officer may, by agreement, terminate the contract of sale at any time.

## § 3610.1-4 Refunds or credits.

- (a) Refunds or credits may be made to the permittee:
- (1) If upon expiration total payments made exceed the total value of mineral materials covered by the contract;
- (2) If it is determined by the authorized officer that insufficient mineral materials existed in the sales area to fulfill the terms of the contract; or
- (3) If materials paid for are unavailable as a result of termination of a contract, as provided in §3610.1-3(b) of this title.
- (b) Refunds of credits may not be made where the total payment made by a permittee does not exceed the administrative cost of processing the disposal
- (c) Payments made in lieu of production, as provided in  $\S 3610.1-3(a)(5)$ , may